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Consultative Forum on microinsurance regulation for insurance supervisory authorities, insurance practitioners and policymakers

on

“Scaling up agricultural index insurance in Africa: Building disaster resilience of smallholder farmers”

Afternoon of Wednesday, 24th May and morning of Thursday, 25th May 2017
in Kampala, Uganda

Dear Madam, dear Sir,

The African Insurance Organisation, the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS), the Access to Insurance Initiative (A2ii) and the Microinsurance Network (MIN) are pleased to invite you to the next Consultative Forum around the topic of:

“Scaling up agricultural index insurance in Africa: Building disaster resilience of smallholder farmers”

Agricultural index-based insurance has shown some promise in helping smallholder farmers manage production risks. It can also contribute to enhancing national disaster resilience by providing financial protection to a vulnerable community that often forms a large part of developing country populations. However, much more needs to be done to scale up index insurance in a sustainable way; while supervisors in Africa have highlighted the need to build expertise in this area and explore suitable measures to ensure customers are treated fairly.

This Forum will focus on the challenges and opportunities of agricultural index-based insurance and explore how the various stakeholders – insurance supervisors, the industry, policymakers and donors – can cooperate and align their respective roles to achieve sustainability and scale while ensuring fair treatment of smallholder farmers. This Forum will build on insights from the Asia Pacific region, based on the 9th Consultative Forum on the same topic which took place in March 2017 in Singapore.

The Consultative Forum will take place alongside the 44th AIO Conference and General Assembly. It is expected that approximately 60 high-ranking representatives from African insurance supervisory authorities, the industry and the public sector will attend the event. The objective of the Forum is to stimulate dialogue between policymakers, supervisors and the industry that is critical in fostering knowledge and sound policymaking in the field of inclusive insurance.

We warmly invite you to enrich this seminar with your participation and contribution. Supervisors, industry players, policymakers and other interested persons are highly welcome to attend.

Please mark the afternoon of Afternoon of Wednesday, 24th May and morning of Thursday, 25th May 2017 in your calendar.
To participate in the Consultative Forum please register here.

Please contact Janice Angove at Janice.Angove@FSB.co.za if you have any queries.

Sincerely yours,

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The African Insurance Organisation (AIO) is a non-governmental organisation established in 1972 with 371 members from 47 African countries including 13 members from 8 overseas countries. Its main objectives are the promotion of inter-African co-operation and development of a healthy insurance and re-insurance industry in Africa (www.african-insurance.org).

The Access to insurance initiative (A2ii)  
The Access to Insurance Initiative (A2ii) is a unique global partnership working with development agencies, insurance supervisors, international insurance bodies and local entities with the mission to inspire and support insurance supervisors to promote inclusive and responsible insurance. The A2ii is the implementation arm of the IAIS on financial inclusion, a partnership which provides close connections with insurance supervisors and regulators worldwide (www.a2ii.org).

The International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS)  
The International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) is a voluntary membership organization of insurance supervisors and regulators from more than 200 jurisdictions in nearly 140 countries. The mission of the IAIS is to promote effective and globally consistent supervision of the insurance industry in order to develop and maintain fair, safe and stable insurance markets for the benefit and protection of policyholders and to contribute to global financial stability (www.iaisweb.org)

The Microinsurance Network

The Microinsurance Network's vision is for a world where people of all income levels are more resilient and less vulnerable to daily and catastrophic risks through improved access to effective risk management tools. The Microinsurance Network works with a broad range of stakeholders and maintains in all its activities low-income at its centre, prioritising work and actions that meet clients’ needs and protects their interests and well-being (www.microinsurancenetwork.org)